

## **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET**

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### **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

#### **COLLECTIONS**

##### **OFFICE OF CATHECHETICAL SERVICES COLLECTION: 13-14 MAY 2017**

Each year in the Diocese of Cleveland a special collection is taken up in all the parishes to support the ministries of the Office of Catechetical Services. The Office of Catechetical Services focuses on supporting and enhancing the catechetical initiative (PSR programs) throughout the Diocese and supports faith formation for all including adult faith formation, catechetical leader training and catechist formation for teachers of religion, media literacy, and the Newman Campus Ministry program.

**This year the collection will be held on the weekend of 13-14 May 2017.** A contribution to the Office of Catechetical Services is an investment in faith formation and religious education throughout the Diocese of Cleveland. **Please encourage giving to this very special collection.**

#### **TRIBUNAL**

##### **2017 First Step Programs: Continuing education regarding marriage and divorce in the Catholic Church**

Attempting to pick up the pieces of one's life after the tragedy of divorce is an area that can impact a person's relationship with God and the Church. One of the significant issues that a person faces is their place in the Church. Does the Church still care about me even though I am divorced? Am I allowed to go to Mass? Can I receive communion? How can the Church help me heal? If I decide to marry again, what do I have to do?

The Tribunal of the Diocese of Cleveland offers its First Step Program to help individuals deal with these questions in order to renew and/or strengthen their relationship with God and the Church. This program is offered to help everyone, especially those who have experienced divorce, learn more about Catholic teaching regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage. Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will also be present to explain the resources they offer to the divorced.

Everyone is welcome to:

- Deepen knowledge of the Church's teaching on marriage...
- Learn about the Church's ministry to the divorced/separated in the Diocese...
- Hear about the annulment process and how to submit a case...
- Discover a path to healing after divorce in order to strengthen and/or renew a relationship with God and the Church

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In any endeavor, taking the “first step” is always the most difficult. The First Step Program helps individuals to navigate the path of healing and closure. Please refer to the Tribunal website ([www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal)) for testimonials about the program from past participants.

The schedule for the general meetings in 2017 is:

- Tuesday, 16 May 2017, at St. Mary Parish, Chardon, at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, 12 September 2017, at St. Paul Parish, Akron, at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, 10 October 2017, at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7:00 p.m.

**Note that the Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process.**

For more information check our website: [www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal)

Or call the Tribunal: 216-696-6525/800-869-6525, ext. 4000

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### **CHANCERY**

#### **HELEN D. SCHUBERT CONCERTS Spring 2017**

Cathedral of St John the Evangelist; 1007 Superior Ave @ E. 9<sup>th</sup> St.; Cleveland Ohio 44114

All concerts are FREE, (*no tickets, no reservations*)

Free secure parking: Cathedral garage on Rockwell Ave @ E. 9<sup>th</sup> St.

May 11 – Thursday @ 8:00 p.m.

#### ***JUBILATION!* Elizabeth Stuart Church Choir Festival**

The Tenth annual WCLV *JUBILATION* Choir Festival features four Church Choirs from Northeast Ohio. Established in 2008 to showcase sacred choral music that is recognized as part of the core classical repertoire, the Festival seeks to encourage a heightened standard of choral music in houses of worship, and to celebrate choirs that strive for excellence.

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### **PARISH LIFE SECRETARIAT**

#### **GRANT APPLICATIONS AND AWARDS**

Application forms for grants from the **National African American and Native American Commission are available now in the Parish Life Office.** If your parish, school or institution has Evangelization Projects for which you are seeking funding, please request an application form. The criteria for the projects are the following:

- \* initiated and carried out through a Catholic Institution
- \* innovative and creative approaches to evangelization in the African American or Native American community

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- \* collaborative efforts - e.g., several parishes, parish and school, parish and other groups, diocesan offices and parish communities.
- \* outreach to inactive, alienated and people with no church affiliation

If funding for a salary is included in the proposal, the amount should be one quarter or less of the salary. No funding is provided for benefits. The Grant Review Board has requested that the source covering the cost of salaries and benefits for the project be listed on the grant application.

Applications must be returned to the Parish Life Office by **01 May 2017**. All proposals will be considered by the Grant Review Board. Grants to our diocese from the National Commission will be announced in February of 2018.

For an application or if you have any questions, please call the Parish Life Office at 216-696-6525 or 1-800-869-6525, ext. 3500. An application form is also included in the Diocesan Memo as an attachment. Please feel free to answer the application questions using your own format.

**Family Support Ministry: LEAF Ministry**\_ Listening, Encouraging, and Assisting Families  
(See: [www.leafministry.org](http://www.leafministry.org) for additional information on this ministry)

Do you have families in your parish, who, because of the incarceration of a loved one, experience isolation, shame, guilt, and an overwhelming sense of being alone? The LEAF Ministry has been formed to be of support to these families. Groups meet monthly offering an opportunity to those who come to listen and share community, network and learn from others who understand their situation, challenges, fears and emotions. All are welcome to participate irrespective of faith affiliation. For more information and to verify the schedules, please call one of the following parishes and visit the website: [www.leafministry.org](http://www.leafministry.org). No pre-registration is necessary.

It is our intention to continue to form additional groups in the various areas of the diocese. If you are interested in beginning a group or want more information, call Sister Rita Mary, SND at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525 x2200.

### **Cuyahoga County**

#### **Communion of Saints**

2175 Coventry Road  
Cleveland Heights, Ohio 44118  
216-321-0024

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month

#### **Mary, Queen of Peace**

4423 Pearl Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44109  
216-749-2323

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of the month

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**St. Agnes + Our Lady of Fatima**

6800 Lexington Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio 44103

216-391-1655

Please call the above number for more information.

**St. Ladislav**

2345 Bassett Road

Westlake, Ohio 44145

440-835-2300

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday of the month

**St. Malachi**

2459 Washington Avenue

Cleveland, Ohio 44113

216-861-5343

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday:

**Geauga County**

**Holy Angels**

18205 Chillicothe Road

Bainbridge, Ohio 44023

440-708-0000

Meets at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, 18 May 2017

**Lake County**

**St. Noel Parish**

35200 Chardon Road

Willoughby, Ohio 44094

440-946-0887

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of the month

**Lorain County**

**Sacred Heart Chapel** (Spanish) presently meeting with St. Ladislav)

4301 Pearl Avenue

Lorain, Ohio 44055

440-277-7231

Meets at 7:00 p.m. with St. Ladislav on the second Wednesday of the month

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### **Medina County**

#### **Medina Parishes meeting at St. Francis Xavier Parishes**

600 East Washington Street

Medina, Ohio 44256

330-725-4968

Meets at 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of the month

### **Summit County**

#### **St. Mary Hudson**

340 North Main Street

Hudson, Ohio 44236

330-653-8118

Temporarily discontinued

**Wayne County:** Coming in the future

**Ashland County:** Coming in the future

**Other groups will be beginning in the winter. For additional information call 216-696-6525 x 3500 and see the website at [www.leafministry.org](http://www.leafministry.org)**

### **Chaplain Services at the Prisons and Jails located in the Diocese of Cleveland**

If you have a loved one incarcerated in one of the eight counties of the Diocese and would like to have a priest, deacon or one of our lay volunteer ministers visit with them, please call the Parish Life Office at 800-869-6525 or 216-696-6525 x 3500. The Diocesan Ministry to the Incarcerated has a presence in the three state prisons, the county jails and the juvenile facilities located within our diocese. We would be glad to have someone visit with them.

### **THE GAY AND LESBIAN FAMILY MINISTRY OF THE CLEVELAND CATHOLIC DIOCESE**

The Body of Christ in the Diocese of Cleveland is called to reverence each person as a unique reflection of God's presence in our midst.

### **Family Support Group**

#### **Holy Spirit Parish in Avon Lake.**

(440) 933-3777

Usually meets the first Sunday of each month.

Please call the parish for additional details.

#### **St. John Vianney Parish, Mentor**

(440) 943-3445

Meeting is usually on the second Sunday of each month

Please call the parish for additional details.

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### **Parish Outreach Groups**

Parish outreach groups exist to provide a place of support, affirmation and spiritual guidance to gay and lesbian Catholics.

#### **Blessed Trinity, Cleveland (Westside)**

Facilitator: Rev. Douglas Koesel (216) 671-5890

(usually meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month from 7:00-9:00 p.m.)

#### **Gesu Parish, University Heights (Eastside)**

(216) 932-0617 - Please call parish for details.

### **St. Mary Hudson Group**

Our St. Mary Family Support Group will meet the fourth Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. in the chapel. The goal of this ministry is not to attempt to alter any person's sexual orientation; rather, it is our goal to support all persons in their quest for wholeness and holiness. This group is opened to gay and lesbian persons and their family members. Any questions, please contact Lori Joseph at [ljoseph@stmaryhudson.ccf](mailto:ljoseph@stmaryhudson.ccf) or at 330-653-8118, ext. 233. St. Mary Parish in Hudson is located at 340 N. Main Street

For any additional information, please feel free to call the Parish Life Office at 216-696-6525 or 1-800-869-6525, ext. 3500.

### **AFRICA MASS**

**SAVE THE DATE!!** The Diocesan African Catholic Community invites you to celebrate the Faith of Africa at the annual mass which will take place on Sunday, 25 June 2017 at St. Colman Parish, 2027 West 65<sup>th</sup> Street, Cleveland. A reception, which will include traditional foods of Africa, music and dance will follow in the parish hall immediately after the Mass. Everyone is welcome! For more information please contact Vanessa Griffin Campbell at 216-696-6525 or 1-800-869-6525 ext. 3020 or via email [vcampbell@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:vcampbell@dioceseofcleveland.org). A flyer is included in this memo.

### **THEA AWARDS**

We are happy to announce that Ms. Shaniqua Harris will be presented the African American Catholic Woman in the Legacy of Georgia McCoy Award for her leadership, commitment and willingness to serve her parish (St. Agnes-Our Lady of Fatima), her diocese and her civic community. Other Thea awards will also be presented to women and youth of the African American Catholic Community who exemplify the virtues of Sr. Thea Bowman. These awards will be given out during the Thea Awards Banquet which will be held on Sunday, 7 May 2017 at the Hilton Garden Inn. Tickets are still available and ads for the souvenir journal by calling Vanessa Griffin Campbell at 216-696-6525, ext. 3020 or emailing her at [vcampbell@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:vcampbell@dioceseofcleveland.org).

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### **Charismatic Mass**

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host a **Charismatic Mass** on **Friday, 12 May, at 7:00 p.m.**, at St. Gabriel Church, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Mentor 44060. Fr. Jeremy Merzweiler will be the celebrant. Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 and the liturgy will start at 7:30. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer. For more information, please contact Fr. Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM at 440-944-9445. Come and bring a friend! This will be a time to truly encounter the Lord.

### **Healing Mass**

“Jesus is the same, yesterday and today, and forever” Heb. 13:8. He is healing people in our time as surely as He did 2,000 years ago. Come to the **Healing Mass, Sunday, 21 May, at Ss.**

**Cosmas & Damian Church beginning at 7:00 p.m.** with praise and worship. Fr. Michael Stalla, Pastor, will celebrate this Mass and lead Healing Prayer. The church is located at 10419 Ravenna Rd. in Twinsburg 44087. For more information, contact Grace or Jerry Wrobel at 330-425-2678.

### **Pentecost Vigil Celebration**

There will be a Pentecost vigil celebration at Sacred Heart Chapel at the Center for Pastoral Leadership on **Saturday, 3 June**, starting at 7:00 p.m. The program called ADORE will be celebrated in the fullness of the Holy Spirit in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. The Families in Christ Jesus Youth worship team will lead the praise and worship. The Center for Pastoral Leadership is located at 28700 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe 44092. For more information, please contact Catholic Renewal Ministries at 440-944-9445. Come and experience the Holy Spirit on the eve of the birthday of the Church. All ages are encouraged to attend.

### **Pentecost Mass Celebration**

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host a **Pentecost Mass Celebration, Sunday, 4 June**, at Ss. Cosmas and Damian Church, 10419 Ravenna Rd., Twinsburg 44087. The celebration will start at 2:00 p.m. with praise and worship, and a time of prayer for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Mass will begin at approximately 3:00 p.m. There will be an opportunity for individual healing prayer and also fellowship time after Mass. For more information, please contact Fr. Bob Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM at 440-944-9445. All are welcome to join in this celebration of Pentecost during this 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of charismatic renewal.

### **Magnificat**

Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth Chapter of Magnificat, a women’s ministry modeled after the Visitation, invites you to a breakfast **Saturday, 10 June**, at Walsh University, Barrette Center, 2020 East Maple Street, North Canton. Join us in a special time of fellowship and sharing. Mary Tohill will be the guest speaker.

Cost is \$18.00. Make checks payable to “Magnificat of Stark County” and send to Debby Bentivegna, 5575 East Blvd. NW, Canton, OH 44718. Seating is limited, so plan on getting your reservations early. Reservations cannot be accepted after June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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There will be open seating, and the doors open at 8:30 a.m. with breakfast at 9:00 a.m. There will be an optional Mass at 8:00 a.m. in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel at Walsh University. For further information call Shirley DeOrio at 614-620-3169.

### **Traveling Charismatic Mass**

Catholic Renewal Ministries' **Traveling Charismatic Mass** for June will be held in the chapel at St. John Vianney Church, 7575 Bellflower Rd., Mentor, 44060, on **Friday, 30 June**. Praise and Worship will begin at 7:00 p.m. and the liturgy will start at 7:30 p.m. Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer, and there will also be a social after Mass. For more information, please contact Fr. Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM at 440-944-9445. Come and bring a friend! This will be a time to truly encounter the Lord.

### **Catholic Renewal Ministries' 35th Annual Conference**

All are invited to attend **Catholic Renewal Ministries' 35th Annual Conference** to be held on **14 & 15 July 2017** at Magnificat High School in Rocky River. This year's theme is "Fount of Life, Fire of Love". The conference opens on Friday at 7:00 p.m. Guest speakers will be Mark Nimo, Lavinia Spirito, Fr. Bob Franco, Chris and Becky Roach, Dr. Ed Parisi, Abbot Gary Hoover, Dr. Phil Gigliotti, and Fr. Patrick Schultz. Contact Shirley or Tom Fumich at 440-610-6604 for registration information or visit [www.crmweb.org](http://www.crmweb.org). Advance registration postmarked by July 6<sup>th</sup> is \$30, and at the door \$35. Come experience the healing power and gifts of the Holy Spirit.

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## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES CORPORATION**

### **DISABILITY SERVICES & MINISTRIES**

#### **Summer Programs for children and adults with disabilities**

Did you know that our Diocese offers summer programs for children and adults with disabilities? There are many options! These programs are a ministry to families who have children with disabilities. The summer programs offer respite and provide life-enhancing activities in a Catholic setting. They are a great way to meet new friends, learn new things and just have fun! If you have a family member with a developmental disability or know someone who does, contact Marilyn Scott, Program Director of Catholic Charities Disability Services, for more information at 216-334-2963 or [mjscott@ccdoacle.org](mailto:mjscott@ccdoacle.org).



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### **DEPARTMENT FOR MARRIAGE & FAMILY MINISTRY**

Visit [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org) for ideas and resources for your marriage. Also, find and like us on FaceBook - [www.facebook.com/clevelandmarriageandfamily](http://www.facebook.com/clevelandmarriageandfamily)

### **50<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

The annual 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Celebration will be held on Sunday, 30 July 2017 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Reservations will be accepted for couples married 50 years (married in 1967). Couples who are celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. Seating is limited in the Cathedral. The number of guests will be determined by the seating capacity and total number registered.

**Date & Time:** Sunday, 30 July 2017 at 2:30 p.m. Mass

**Place:** Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist

All registrations should be handled through parish secretaries. Registration forms were sent to all parish secretaries in March; couples should contact their parishes to register. If you did not receive these materials please contact Jane at [jschwendeman@ccdogle.org](mailto:jschwendeman@ccdogle.org) or call 216-334-2978 or Jason at [jrlewis@ccdogle.org](mailto:jrlewis@ccdogle.org) or call 216-334-2974. Forms can also be found on our website, [www.ccdogle.org/mfm](http://www.ccdogle.org/mfm)

### **PREP® Marriage Skills Workshop for Engaged and Married Couples**

PREP fulfills the Pre-Cana requirement for engaged couples, and offers enrichment to married couples.

**Date & Time:** Sunday, 4 June 2017, from 8:30 a.m. –4:30 p.m. Please register by 26 May.

**Place:** St. Noel Parish, 35200 Chardon Road, Willoughby, OH 44094 (11:00 a.m. Mass)

**Cost:** \$125 per couple.

For more information about PREP, call 216-334-2978. Download registration forms at <http://ccdogle.org/program/prep>

### **SACRED STEPS TO PEACE FOR TEENS PROGRAM / Divorce Thru the Eyes of a Teen**

This new program for teens whose families have experienced a divorce, is open to anyone from the ages of 12-17. The purpose of this program is to help teens deal with the effects of divorce, as well as having time together socially. The Sacred Steps to Peace for Teens will meet every third Friday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Holy Family Center Room 1, starting February 17<sup>th</sup>. The facilitators for the program are Carol Petro, MSW from the Marriage and Family Office, Deacon Bob Lester of St. Joseph Parish, and Deacon Bob Sabol of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Columbia Station. It is encouraged for parents who are attending the Sacred Steps to Peace Program, have their children attend this program, as well as any other parents who think this would be a good way for their children to heal through the divorce in their family.

Participants are welcome to join at any time.

**Place:** St. Joseph Parish, 12700 Pearl Rd, Strongsville, OH 44136 - Holy Family Center Room 1

**Date & Time:** The first meeting was Friday, 17 February 2017, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. and now they meet the third Friday of each month. *Participants are welcome to join at any time.*

For more information on both of these programs, contact Deacon Bob at the Church Office, 440-238-5555 ext. 110.

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### **SACRED STEPS TO PEACE / Catholic Divorce Recovery**

The Department for Marriage and Family Ministry presents a Catholic Divorce Recovery Program entitled *Sacred Steps to Peace*. The Sacred Steps General Meeting is held on the third Friday of each month, with a focus on spiritual healing and growth through education, discussion and reflection on Scriptures and Church teachings. Optional small group weekly sessions will be guided by a team in a support group format, using prayer, exercises and a workbook as a pathway to divorce recovery. Participants are welcome to join at any time.

#### ***Sacred Steps General Meeting for 14 sessions***

**Place:** St. Joseph Parish, 12700 Pearl Road, Strongsville, Ohio 44136.

**Cost:** \$25 for the series, including a workbook

**Date & Time:** The first meeting was Friday, 17 February 2017, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. and now they meet the third Friday of each month. *Participants are welcome to join at any time.*

#### ***Working the Steps Support Group (optional)***

**Date & Time:** to be decided based on the needs of the participants.

For registration details call Jane at 216-334-2978 or go to [Sacred Steps](#)

### **ENGAGED ENCOUNTER**

Catholic Engaged Encounter is a comprehensive weekend of marriage preparation held three times a year at the St. Leonard Retreat Center, 4076 Case Road, Avon, Ohio 44011. For questions call Alex and Lily Fuentes at 216-849-3769. The dates for 2017 are May 19-21 and September 15-17, 2017. Visit their website for more information and to register – [www.clevelandencounter.com](http://www.clevelandencounter.com).

### **WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

[World Wide Marriage Encounter](#) offers weekends to bring a husband and wife closer together. Get away from the distractions of everyday life and focus on each other and how to improve your marriage. The next [weekend](#) is May 5-7, 2017 at the Clarion Inn & Conference Center, Hudson, Ohio. Information on these weekends can be found at the link above, or call 330-305-9963

### **RETRouvaille**

Retrouvaille is a three-month program to help couples struggling in their marriages. It has three phases, starting with a weekend experience in which couples learn to re-establish communication and to gain new insights into themselves as individuals and as a couple. Post sessions are held over a period of 12 weeks to further develop and enhance the techniques learned on the weekend. A support group is available offering interaction with other couples who are striving to improve their relationship. The next weekend is scheduled for September 8-10, 2017 at the Fairfield Inn & Suites in Beachwood. For more information go to their website [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com) or contact Marce & Liz Gliha at [3031@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3031@retrouvaille.org)

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### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **FIRST FRIDAY CLUB OF GREATER AKRON**

The First Friday Club of Akron will meet on Friday, **5 May 2017** at **Tangier Restaurant**, 532 W. Market St., Akron 44303, and will feature Maureen Dee, Executive Director Treatment, Prevention & Recovery Programs Catholic Charities Corporation, speaking on the topic, *The Effects of Heroin on Society*.

The cost of the luncheon program is \$20.00. Doors open at 11:00 a.m.; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1:00 p.m. Reservations can be made by sending a check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307, by calling the office, or on the website, no later than Monday, 1 May 2017.

For additional information, call 330-535-7668 or visit [www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org](http://www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org).